On motion the Council went into Committee of the Whole, Ald. Fitzgerald in the chair.

First clause read and passed.

Clauses 2 and 3 passed without discussion.

Clause 4 read, passed, and the committee rose and reported. The Mayor having resumed the chair the report was adopted.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

Your committee would report that they have examined the following accounts, and would recommend the same to be paid: Pay sheet for city officials for quarter, $2,387.50; Hospital account for March, $602.68; Police station expenses, $24.65; incidentals, $11.68; Fire Department for March, $937.89; E. A. Taylor, stationery, $54.67; Reid & Anderson, $30.09; Relief Committee's account, $106.75; total, $4,255.91.

Your committee, after considering the petition of Thomas Pritchard, asking a title from the city for a portion of broken front occupied by him for the last 29 years, would respectfully recommend that the land be sold to him for the sum of $50, payable in ten annual instalments of $5 each year, without interest.

Received and adopted.

A by-law appointing Dr. James Wilson resident surgeon of the city hospital was read a first, second and third time, and finally passed.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the Board of Works be empowered to have the streets cleaned, either by tender or day work, as they may deem best. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Regan, that the Park Committee be instructed to submit for the consideration of this Council the terms and conditions on which the Artillery Block is to be given to the Tecumseh B. B. Club; also, the length of time it is to be given, and the privileges to be granted to said club. Carried.

On motion of Ald. Skinner, the petition of Mr. Gray, for permission to build a boat house at the foot of Wellington street, was referred to the Board of Works with power.

Ald. Brown moved, seconded by Ald. Rapley, that the Street Commissioner report to this Council through the chairman of the Boards of Works the expenditure of moneys from the 1st January, 1877, to the 31st March, stating the different localities where the money was expended and for what purpose.

The Council adjourned for want of a quorum.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 16th April, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual time and place, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Campbell, Sutherland, Thompson, Jones, Regan, Ross, Brown, Rapley, Christie, Williams, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Egan, McNab, Gray, Skinner, Boyd, Hiscox, Fitzgerald.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Henry Wheeler, complaining of the difficulties encountered by him in draining his property on Ridout street, and asking assistance from the Council. Referred to Board of Works.

From J. A. Cousins and others, petitioning for Wellington street (from Dundas street to the track) and York street (west about 220 feet) to be watered. Referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

An account from Mrs. McLaren, $8, lighting fires, etc., was referred to the Finance and Assessment Committee.

From E. Rogers & Co., purchasers of the gas pipes from Bray & Co., asking permission to remove the same from Dundas street, the petitioners agreeing to place the street in as good a condition as previously. Granted.

Ald. Jones, chairman, submitted the following report from the Market Committee:

1st. Inside butcher's petition. Your Committee recommend those that are paying $10 per month be reduced to $8, and those that pay $2 pay $4.

2nd. The charge of Mr. Shaffer against the wood market clerk, left over for further consideration.

3rd. Your Committee recommend that Ald. Gray and the Chairman be a sub-committee to provide a new Hide Inspector's office.

On motion the report was taken up clause by clause.

Clauses 1 and 2 passed without discussion.

Clause 3—

Moved by Ald. Christie, seconded by Ald. Ross, that the clause be referred back with power. Carried.

Ald. Partridge, sr., chairman, presented the following report from the Board of Works:

1st. Your Committee beg to report that we have investigated the case of John Law holding a store in the Arcade; and if retained longer, moved by Ald. Sutherland, seconded by Ald. Ross, that Mr. Law's rent be $4 per month from the 1st of May next, payable in advance. Carried.

2nd. Moved and seconded, that Mr. Gray, of Hamilton, be allowed permission to build a boat house on paying $25 per year in advance, to run boats on the river, Sundays to be an exception, house to be built under the superintendence of the Engineer.

3rd. Your Committee have examined the complaint of Dr. Tufford, by Warren Rock, Esq., and find no cause of complaint, but, to the contrary, finding everything done that could be by the Engineer and Commissioner to prevent any accident, and recommend no action by the Council.

4th. Your Committee have examined all the petitions for plank sidewalks and box drains, and have deferred action for the present.

5th. Your Committee have examined the petition of H. C. R. Becher, Esq., and beg leave to report progress.

On motion, the report was taken up clause by clause.

Clause 1 passed without discussion.

Clause 2—

Ald. Skinner stated that Mr. Gray

wished to withdraw his application, as he had decided to build his boat house on the county side of the river.

On motion, the clause was struck out.

Clauses 3, 4 and 5 passed without discussion.

Ald. Sutherland, chairman, submitted the following report from the Park Committee:

The Park Committee recommend that the Pickwick Cricket Club be allowed to sod a crease north of the band stand, and be granted the use of the same during the pleasure of the Council.

Your Committee ask for a grant of one hundred and fifty dollars for trees, &c.

On motion, the report was taken up clause by clause.

Clause 1 passed without discussion.

Clause 2—

Ald. Rapley moved, seconded by Ald. Gray, that the clause be struck out. Lost.

The report was then adopted.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee :

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, and would recommend the payment of the same: John Cameron & Co., $57.45; Messrs. Stevens, Turner & Burns, $45; total, $102.45.

Your Committee would also report that they had an interview with several members of the Board of School Trustees on the subject of school extension, when the Board recommended the sale of the Grammar School Grounds, the proceeds of said sale to be applied in the erection of a suitable High School. They would respectfully request of this Council to petition the proper authorities to utilize two and a half acres on the east side of the Artillery Grounds by erecting the school thereon. As they have assured your Committee that no additional call will be made on this Council for the erection or maintenance of said High School, your Committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the above scheme.

Your Committee would further recommend that Salter's Grove be surveyed and laid out in lots, and that this Committee be authorized to sell it as soon as practicable by tender or otherwise.

On motion the report was taken up clause by clause.

Clause 1 read.

Moved by Ald. Hiscox, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the item be struck out. Lost.

The adoption of the clause then passed.

Yeas—Campbell, Sutherland, Jones, Regan, Ross, Brown, Rapley, Christie, Williams, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Egan, McNab, Gray, Skinner, Boyd, Fitzgerald.

Nays—Hiscox, Thompson.

Clause 2 passed.

Clause 3—

Moved by Ald. McNab, seconded by Ald Skinner, that no survey be made or other means taken, looking to the sale of Salter's Grove, until the people are afforded an opportunity of pronouncing upon the matter. Agreed to.

Ald. Williams moved, seconded by Ald. Christie, that the Mayor and the Chairman of the Finance Committee be instructed to carry out the scheme proposed by the Finance Committee for building the High School on the Artillery Block; also to co-operate with the School Board to obtain permission to dispose of the Grammar School grounds on Duke street, in order to realize funds for the above purpose. Carried.

Ald. Rapley asked if anything had been heard of the photographs sent to the Centennial.

Ald. Partridge, jr., said no trace could be found of them, although five or six letters had been written to different parties on the subject, but the Government would be responsible for them.

Ald. Egan moved that the matter lay over till next meeting. Carried.

On motion, the Tecumseh Base Ball Club were granted sufficient scrapings from the streets for the purpose of assisting in leveling their new grounds in Kensington.

The Board then adjourned for three weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 7th May, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual time and place, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Campbell, Gray, Jones, Regan, McNab, Minhinnick, Brown, Rapley, Christie, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, jr., Williams, Murray, Skinner, Hiscox, Sutherland, Fitzgerald, Ross, Thompson.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read —

From Mrs. Newcombe, on behalf of Women's Christian Association, for free use of Hall on the evening of the 11th May. Granted.

From Mrs. Newcombe, for free use of Hall on the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th June, for bazaar in aid of Protestant Orphans' Home. Granted.

From Charles Knapp, claiming $200 reward for arrest and conviction of incendiary, according to resolution of November 4th, 1875. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From B. Jarman and others, asking that Richmond street be watered north to Kent. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee with power.

From W. R Meredith, and others, asking for appointment of Theopilus Roe as night watchman of City Hall. Referred to Police Commissioners for their favorable consideration in case of a vacancy.

From J. Hamilton, and others, for a plank sidewalk on Ann street. Referred to Board of Works.

From W. Glass and others, for sidewalk on East Maitland street. Referred to Board of Works.

From Catherine Potter, Mrs. Hillier and Robt. Reid, for remission of taxes. Referred to the Finance and Assessment Committees.

An account from M. D. Dawson & Co., $225.03, printing, was referred to the Finance and Assessment Committees.

From the Lady Superioress of Mount Hope Orphan Asylum and others, asking that a new sidewalk be constructed on the west side of Richmond street, from Oxford to Grosvenor streets. Referred to Board of Works.

An account from J. M. Cousins, $120, for one windmill and derrick, was referred to the Finance and Assessment Committees.

From John McFarlane and others, asking that Ridout street, from King to York streets, be watered on the same conditions as the other streets. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee with power.

From Jane Ellis, asking to remove a frame building within the fire limits. Referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee with power.

In reply to Ald. Christie,

His Worship the Mayor said the Premier had been communicated with in reference to the granting of 2½ acres of the artillery block for High School purposes. The Premier had referred the matter to the Minister of Militia, who had replied in effect that he could not see his way clear to comply with the request, chiefly on the ground that the militia buildings would be endangered. On the receipt of this letter, and hearing that Mr. Mackenzie, then in Sarnia, would soon return to Ottawa, His Worship telegraphed that gentleman for an audience on his way down via G. T. R. Receiving a favorable reply, the Mayor, Ald. Campbell, and Messrs. Cronyn, Sippi and Moffat intercepted the Premier at St. Mary's, rode with him to Stratford, and laid the matter fully before him. The unanimous feeling of the citizens, he was assured, was in favor of the erection of the school on the site named, and the Premier, after hearing the explanations, stated that while he was opposed to granting the

westerly half of the block for the purpose named, he would with the consent of his colleagues, have an Order in Council passed granting the city of London a site of two and a half acres on the easterly side, the building to be constructed as near Dufferin Avenue, and as far away from the Military Buildings as possible under the circumstances. His Worship stated that the deputation considered the concession was all that could be asked for, and there was nothing now to be done but to proceed with the erection of the school.

Ald. Egan, Chairman of the Fire, Water and as Committee, read a draft of the proposed new contract with the Gas Co., the conditions of which had been agreed to by the committee.

Following is a draft of the proposed new agreement to be entered into by the Gas Co. and the City of London:

1. The Company agrees to supply the city on the days and during the hours hereinafter mentioned with gas for all the street lamps now existing or which may hereafter be erected under the provisions of this agreement for five years from the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven, and thereafter from year to year, at the price and on the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned.

2. Either party may at any time, after the expiration of the said five years, put an end to their agreement by giving to the other six months notice in writing of its intention so to do; and the notice, if given by the city, may be signed by the City Clerk and left at the Company's office, and if given by the Company may be signed by the President and left at the City Clerk's office.

3. The Company is to be responsible for and to keep in repair all the lamp posts which are now existing or shall hereafter be erected or set up under the powers thereof, whether iron or wooden, with all the fittings, lanterns, frames, burners, and other appliances and appurtenances belonging thereto, and is to leave the same at the expiration of the agreement in good condition and repair, provided always that the Company shall not be liable for any deterioration in the said wooden posts, or to renew the same.

4. The gas to be supplied by the Company shall be at least fourteen candle power, or, not in any event, less than the standard required by law.

5 The Company shall light and keep lighted during the proper hours, and cleanse and keep clean all the lamps, lanterns, burners and other appurtenances belonging thereto.

6. All of the said lamps are to be kept supplied by the Company with burners which shall be capable of consuming at least four cubic feet of gas per hour under ordinary pressure.

7. The city shall pay to the Company for the service provided for by this agreement at the rate of twenty-four dollars and twenty cents premium for each lamp, subject to the deduction hereinafter provided for.

8 Inasmuch as the lamp posts, frames, and lanterns require, to put them in a proper state of repair, to be painted, the city agrees to allow and pay the Company an additional sum of fifty cents per lamp for so doing; such allowance to be made only for the first year.

9. The city shall not be responsible for the cost of the removal or substitution of any wooden lamp post except upon the written order of the City Engineer or of the Chairman of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee of the City Council.

10. A deduction and allowance shall be made to the city from the price agreed to be paid as aforesaid for each lamp which is not kept burning during the proper hours on the proper days as is provided by the terms of the agreement from whatever cause that event may happen, and such deduction and allowance shall be at the rate of $2 50 per thousand feet.

11. The Company shall erect and set up such additional lamps as shall be required by the city at all times when requested so to do, except when the frost is in the ground on the line of the Company's erecting, or hereafter constructed mains, or within three hundred feet therefrom, or from any existing lamp, or any lamp which shall hereafter be erected without making any charge for the additional main, but if the lamps require to be constructed beyond those limits the Company is to be allowed at the rate of twenty cents per lineal foot for constructing the additional main required for the distance in excess of the said three hundred feet.

12. The Company agrees to supply all additional lamp posts that may hereafter be required to be added to those now in use with the lanterns, fittings, burners, appliances and appurtenances requisite therefor, according to the pattern now at the City Hall, complete ready for erection, for the sum of seventeen dollars each.

13. The Company agrees to erect and set up all new lamp posts, which it shall be required to erect and set up at the price of three dollars each, and for the like sum to remove and erect and set up again upon the line of its main any lamp post which it shall be required to remove and erect and set up again, but the city shall not be liable for the cost of removing any lamp post or erecting or setting up any new one unless an order in writing shall be given therefor signed by the Chairman, and at least one other member of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

14. The Company shall not be required to light the lamps during eight nights in each lunar month, that is to say for six nights next before the full moon, one night at full moon, and one night after, but during all other nights the lamps shall be lighted at sunset, and not extinguished until one hour before sunrise, except for one week after the full moon, when they may be extinguished on the rising of the moon above the horizon, provided always that the Company shall be bound to light all the lamps on any night on which it would not otherwise be bound so to do, if so required by notice in writing, signed by the City Clerk, and left at the Company's office, at least two hours before dusk, and for any such additional supply of gas the Company shall be paid at the same rate, or charged for the yearly supply.

15. The Company also agree to supply gas for consumption in the city offices and buildings, including the City Hall and Hospital, and all other city buildings and in the city schools if required so to do, at the rate of $2 50 per thousand feet.

16. The Company shall be supplied daily with reports certified by the Chief of Police, or in his absence from duty by the officer acting in his place of the lamps not lighted, and the situation of them; and the Company shall be bound by such reports, which shall be sufficiently supplied by mailing them in the London city post office, addressed to the Secretary of the Company.

17. The city shall pay to the Company the annual sum to be paid for the service provided for by this agreement in equal quarterly payments, commencing on the first day of October next, and shall pay all other sums due the Company quarterly, and all payments shall be made punctually at least one month after the same shall become due.

18. The Company shall, when and as often as it may have occasion to interfere with the surface of any public street or lane, restore the same to as good condition as when interfered with within a reasonable time, and to the satisfaction of the city engineer, and in default thereof, such street or lane may be repaired by the city at the expense of the Company, and the price thereof may, at the city's option, be deducted from any moneys payable to the Company under the terms of this agreement.

19. In case the Company shall not observe, fulfil and keep all and every the clauses, provisos, covenants and conditions herein contained, this agreement, and everything herein contained, shall be voidable, and may be determined by the city on giving to the Company three months' notice in writing of the city's intention to terminate the same.

20. If the City elects to require the Company to supply only the gas required for the street lamps the Company agrees to supply the same at the rate of two dollars and ten cents per thousand feet if at least two million feet per annum are consumed, or at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per thousand feet if less than that quantity is consumed.

Ald. Williams moved, seconded by Ald. Regan, that the consideration of the contract be deferred for one week; that the agreement be printed, and that the City Clerk ascertain the cost of repairs durgin the past year. Carried.

Ald. Pritridge, jr., Chairman of the Exhibition Chmmittee, submitted the following:

Approximate estimate of the cost of erecting the proposed buildings for exhibition purposes: 150 stables for horses, 516 feet long of double cattle sheds, 240 feet addition to carriage shed, raising and filling skating rink, 165 feet long poultry shed, felt and gravel covering to upper flat of Exhibition Building, lower flat repaired with felt, &c., pointing stone work Exhibition Building, coloring

roof inside, repairing Exhibition Buildings floor, for the total sum of $5,100.

Adopted and refererd to the Exhibition Committee with power.

Ald. Hiscox, Chairman, submitted the following report from the hospital and Relief Committee:

1st. That having examined the following accounts, would recommend them to the Finance Committee for payment, viz.: McCracken & Co., for potatoes, $37.85; Tytler & Rose, groceries, $104 25 Powell & Co., meat, $62 35; Strong & Rosser, drugs, $33.48; Mrs. Woodward, milk, $20 40; servants' wages, $46 95; Reid & Anderson, stationery, $8.28; Sloan, coal, $26.53; Fraser, blacksmithing, $2 25; Kennedy, repairing boots, $1 30. Total, $378.57.

2nd Report of the Hospital Steward and Relief Inspector for the month of April was examined, and fyled for reference.

3rd. Your Committee report that they advertised for tenders for whitewashing the Hospital, and awarded the contract to Mr. Ed. Winder for $90, his being the lowest tender.

4th. Your Committee report progress in the matter of tendering for drugs and medicines.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Christie, in the absence of Ald. Partridge, sr., presented the following report from the Board of Works:

1. Your Committee recommend that the sum of $10,000 be appropriated to them for city improvements, and respectfully request that that amount be granted.

2. As regards the petition of H. C. R. Becher, Esq., your Committee recommend that a by-law be passed prohibiting parties from removing stone, gravel, sand or clay from the bank of the river.

Ald. Christie moved the adoption of the report.

Ald. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the 1st clause of the report be laid over for a week, and that a detailed statement be brought in by the city engineer.

Ald. Christie agreed to the first clause being laid over till next meeting.

Second clause passed without discussion.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee beg to report as follows: That they have examined the the following accounts and would recommend the same to be paid. Hospital account for April, $378.57; relief account for paupers, $111 35; incendital expenses, $9.85; James Moffat, rent for office, $84.37; Police Station, $3 25; Fire Department, $270.09; Mrs. McLaren's account, $8; total, $865.48.

Your Committee would respectfully submitt the Auditors' report of the quarter ending March 31st, 1877:

RECEIPTS.

Absentee lands	$ 23 50	
London & Port Stanley R.R. Co		
Rent from G. W. R. R. Co.	4440 10	
Fish Market	36 00	
Auctioneers license	120 00	
Weigh scales from Winnett.	217 93	
Livery stables	60 00	
House and store rents	776 00	
Market stalls	204 50	
School Trustees Government for High Schools	585 00	
Pedlars license	10 00	
Exhibitions and Concerts	30 00	
Fees and fines from City Clerk	176 45	
John Blair, collector, '76 30167		
James Taylor, " " 19331	49438 00	
Market rent	856 94	
Wood market	211 75	
Hospital, from patients, 209.24		
Donation from a friend 200 00	409 24	
Hospital grant from Government account	1390 80	58695 21
Balance		21219 94
		79915 15

DISBURSEMENTS.

Registry office, fuel, &c.	$ 18 43	
Election expenses	242 50	
Advertising, Printing and Stationary	380 07	
London & P.S. R.R. Company	146 00	
Board of Works	543 98	
Police Department	3178 70	
Ordnance Lands expenses	107 25	
County of Middlesex use of Jail	540 00	
City Hall fuel, etc., etc	231 52	
Park Committee	58 75	
Bank of Commerce on account of 1876	52090 25	
School Trustees	6337 13	
General improvements	240 22	
Fire Department	1193 70	
Salaries etc	1787 50	
Board of Health	5 00	
Insurance account	284 50	
London, Huron & Bruce R.R. Company	3000 00	
Centennial expenses	32 25	
Incidental expenses	14 08	
Hospital account	3939 50	
Relief to paupers	355 00	
Gas account, sundries	59 52	
Interest account	5170 30	
		79915 15

Audited and found correct.
A. G. SMYTH,
B. SCdRAM, } Auditors.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Campbell then brought up the question of the sale of Salter's Grove, and spoke strongly at some length in favor of such a step.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Sutherland, that the clause in the Finance Committee's report of last meeting be now adopted, said clause reading: "Your Committee would further recommend that Salter's Grove be surveyed and laid out in lots, and that this committee be authorized to sell it as soon as soon as practicable by tender or otherwise."

Moved in amendment by Ald. McNab, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that no survey be made or other means taken, looking to the sale of Salter's Grove, until the people are afforded an opportunity of pronouncing upon the matter.

On a division, nine members voted for the amendment and nine against it. It was defeated by the Mayor voting against it.

Original motion—

Yeas — Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Thompson, Jones, Murray, Ross, Christie, Partridge, jr —9

Nays—Rapley, Skinner, Regan. McNab, Minhinnick, Brown, Williams, Boyd, Egan—9

His Worship voted yea and declared the motion carried

A by-law for the protection of Great Talbot street along the River Thames and other purposes was read a first, second and third time and passed.

Moved by Ald. McNab, and seconded by Ald. Ross, that the following Aldermen, vis., No. 1, Sutherland; No 2, Murray; No. 3, Skinner; No. 4, McNab; No. 5, Minhinnick: No. 6, Boyd; No. 7, Partridge—be a Committee for the purpose of selecting suitable grounds for a pound, one north and one south of Dundas street. Carried.

Ald. Murray moved, seconded by Ald. Regan, that in future no Alderman shall supply goods either directly or indirectly in his own name or by the use of his name by contract or in any other way to the city or for the city, upon any pretence whatever.

The Mayor ruled that no Alderman had a right to either sell by contract or otherwise, either in his own name or anybody else's, goods of any kind to the corporation. This was explicitly laid down in the 51st rule, and consequently Ald. Murray's motion was unnecessary.

By Ald. Ross—That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare a subscription list to lay open in his office, and afford an opportunity for our citizens who are able and so disposed to subscribe a liberal sum for the retention of Salter's Grove for a public park for the benefit of our citizens, and that the Council do grant one-third of the estimated value of the grounds for this desirable object.

By Ald. Sutherland—That this Council pass a by-law holding harmless and guiltless the different Aldermen who have sold goods to this corporation contrary to the rules of this Council; that the by-law be so worded as to whitewash the said Aldermen, and that this "moral vineyard" be thoroughly purged in future of Aldermen who break this by-law.

On motion, Ald. Boyd's name was placed on the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, instead of that of Ald. Williams.

The Council, at 11.15 p. m., then adjourned for one week.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 14th May, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual time and place, Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Campbell, Rapley, Christie, Gray, Sutherland, McNab, Murray, Regan, Partridge, sr., Jones, Partridge, jr., Egan, Fitzgerald, Minhinnick, Ross, Skinner, Hiscox, Brown, Williams, Boyd, Thompson.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Thomas Joyce, desiring to purchase No. 27, South Bathurst street, broken front. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From P. Mansell, offering to sell the city a new safe and take the old one in the City Clerk's office in part payment. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Bennett Brothers, for remission of taxes on personal property. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From John Maybank, on behalf of the Crispins, for the free use of the City Hall on the evening of the 23rd instant, for the purpose of a lecture to be delivered by Chas. H. Litchman, of Lynn, Mass., on the subject of "Capital and Labor." Granted.

From Plewes & Peer, for leave to construct a sewer on York street. Referred to Board of Works, with power.

From W. B. Heath and others, requesting to use the City Hall for the purpose of holding a weekly cheese market in London. Referred to Market Committee, with power.

From the American Express Company, asking the Council to pay $10.70 charges on Centennial packages sent from this city to Philadelphia. Referred to Exhibition Committee.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, and would recommend the same to be paid, viz.: Geo. Burns, account for police clothing, $44; J. M. Cousins, $120; M. D. Dawson & Co., $225.03; total, $389.03.

Your Committee beg to report further, that inasmuch as the vote taken at the last meeting of the Council for the sale of Salter's Grove was only carried by a single majority, and as the Council are not agreed in the matter, your Committee are of the opinion that it would be advisable to refer the matter to the electors, thereby relieving your Committee of the responsibility. We would therefore respectfully recommend that a by-law be at once prepared and submitted to the ratepayers, asking them to vote for or against the sale of Salter's Grove; that at the same time a vote be taken for or against the sale of the present exhibition grounds after the 1st of October next.

On motion the council went into committee of the whole, Ald. Fitzgerald in the chair.

First clause passed.

Second clause read.

Mr. Saunders presented a petition, with about 600 signatures, requesting the council to reconsider the subject of the Salter Grove, and to postpone the proposed sale until the citizens should have had an opportunity of voting on it.

Ald. Egan moved that the clause be struck out, and proceeded to speak strongly against the sale of the Grove.

Ald. McNab moved in amendment to the clause, seconded by Ald. Minhinnick, that the question to be submitted to the ratepayers shall be—"Shall the Salter's Grove be retained for Park and Exhibition purposes and the present Exhibition Grounds be sold?"; and that a by-law be prepared and submitted, and a vote be taken as soon as possible.

On motion, Mr. Saunders was heard.

Amendment, defeated by a vote of 10 to 5. The clause of the report passed—12 to 3.

The committee rose and reported.

On a motion to adopt—

Ald. Egan moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Partridge, sr., that the last clause be struck out, and that no action be taken until after the Provincial Fair, and that no by-law be prepared for submission to the people for sale of the present Exhibition Grounds at present.

Amendment was lost, and the adoption of the report carried, viz:

Yeas—Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Thompson, Jones, Skinner, Regan, Ross, McNab, Minhinnick, Brown, Christie,

Williams, Boyd.

Nays — Murray, Fitzgerald, Rapley, Egan, Partridge, sr.

Ald. Partridge, jr., wished to be recorded as voting against both the report and the amendment.

Ald. Egan, Chairman, presented the following report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee:

Your Committee report that they have received a petition from ratepayers on Richmond street, praying that said street be watered to Kent street, but asking for a reduction in the cost, owing to the church frontage on the East side of the street.

Your Committee could not entertain the request for reduction, not having the power to do so, but granted the first part of petition providing the whole expense be borne by the ratepayers concerned.

The contractors for watering the streets, Bryan and Proctor, appeared before your Committee and stated that they were unable to fulfil the conditions of their contract further than the streets specified in contract, and your Committee would recommend that they be not required to do so.

Your Committee have therefore advertised for tenders for watering additional streets which are now petitioned for, or may hereafter require to be watered. Tenders to be opened on Tuesday, May 15, '77.

Your Committee submit the new contract as amended since last meeting of the Council.

On motion the report was taken up clause by clause.

First clause—

Ald. Fitzgerald moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the petition of B. Jarman and others be granted.

The amendment was lost and the clause adopted.

Clauses 2 and 3 passed without discussion.

Fourth clause—

The draft of the proposed contract was read clause by clause.

Ald. Williams moved in amendment to the first clause, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that the following words be added to the end of it, viz: "That the company or the city during the three years existence of the contract, by giving six month's notice in writing, shall have power to annul the same."

It was decided to adjourn the consideration of the same until Wednesday evening.

The Clerk then read the following:

Whereas the Board of Education for the City of London is of opinion that it would be for the benefit of their High School that the lands hereinafter mentioned, which were granted by the Crown by letters patent, bearing date the seventh day of December, A. D. 1855, in trust for the purposes of, and as a site for a Grammar School, should be disposed of, and the proceeds of the sale thereof applied for the purpose of erecting a High School on certain other lands to be appropriate for that purpose, and has applied to the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the said City of London for its consent to the surrender and conveyance of the said lands to the Crown under the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the Province of Ontario, passed in the thirty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act to Amend and "consolidate the Law Relating to the "Council of Public Instruction of the "Normal Schools, Collegiate Institutes "and High Schools," and it is expedient to give such consent—

Be it therefore resolved that the consent of the said Council is hereby given to the surrender and conveyance, by the trustees in whom the said lands are vested, to the crown, unconditionally of lots numbers one, two, three, four and five on the north side of North Street, and lots numbers one, two, three, four and five on the south side of Duke street in the said City of London, except those parts thereof which have been, and now are based under the trusts and powers of the said letters patent, the part so to be surrendered and conveyed, as aforesaid, being better known and described as the reserved one acre and three-quarters of land at the north-east corner of the block of land bounded on the north by Duke street, on the east by Wellington street, on the south by North street, and on the west by Clarence street.

Passed by open Council, and at a legal meeting thereof, held this fourteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven.

On motion, the above received the sanction of the Council.

Ald. McNab gave notice that he would, at next regular meeting, move as a resolution the amendment offered by him in relation to the disposal of Salter's Grove, and how the matter should be voted upon by the people.

The Council then adjourned.

Draft of Proposed Gas Contract.

1. The Company agrees to supply the city on the days and during the hours hereinafter mentioned with gas for all the street lamps now existing or which may hereafter be erected under the provisions of this agreement for five years from the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven, WITH THE PRIVILEGE TO EITHER OF THE PARTIES OF DETERMINING THE SAME AT THE EXPIRATION OF THREE YEARS FROM SAID FIRST DAY OF JULY NEXT, BY GIVING TO THE OTHER SIX MONTHS PREVIOUS NOTICE, IN WRITING, OF ITS INTENTION TO DO SO, and IN CASE NO SUCH NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN, THIS AGREEMENT SHALL CONTINUE, AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE SAID FIVE YEARS, from year to year, at the price and on the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned.

2. Either party may at any time, after the expiration of the said five years, put an end to this agreement by giving to the other six months notice in writing of its intention so to do; and the notice, if given by the city, may be signed by the City Clerk and left at the Company's office, and if given by the Company may be signed by the President and left at the City Clerk's office.

3. The Company is to be responsible for and to keep in repair all the lamp posts which are now existing or shall hereafter be erected or set up under the provisions of this agreement, whether iron or wooden, AND all the fittings, lanterns, frames, burners, and other appliances and appurtenances belonging thereto, and is to leave the same at the expiration of this agreement in good condition and repair, provided always that the Company shall not be liable for any deterioration in the said wooden posts, or to renew the same.

4. The gas to be supplied by the Company shall be of at least fourteen candle power, and not in any event, less than the standard required by law.

5. The Company shall light and keep lighted during the hours hereinafter mentioned, and cleanse and keep clean all the lamps, lanterns, burners and other appurtenances belonging thereto.

6. All of the said lamps are to be kept supplied by the Company with burners which shall consume at least four cubic feet of gas per hour under ordinary pressure.

7. The city shall pay to the Company for the service provided for by this agreement at the rate of twenty-four dollars and twenty cents per annum for each lamp, subject to the deductions hereinafter provided for.

8. Inasmuch as the lamp posts, frames, and lanterns require, to be painted, the city agrees to allow and pay the Company an additional sum of fifty cents per lamp for so doing; such allowance to be made only for the first year.

9. The city shall not be responsible for the cost of the renewal or substitution of any wooden lamp post except upon the written order of the City Engineer or of the Chairman of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee of the City Council.

10. A deduction and allowance shall be made to the city from the price agreed to be paid as aforesaid for each lamp which is not kept burning during the proper hours on the proper days as is provided by the terms of this agreement from whatever cause that event may happen, and such deduction and allowance shall be at the rate of $2 50 per thousand feet.

11. The Company shall erect and set up such additional lamps as shall be required by the city at all times when requested so to do, except when the frost is in the ground on the line of the Company's existing, or hereafter constructed mains, or within three hundred feet

therefrom, or from any existing lamp, or any lamp which shall hereafter be erected without making any charge for the additional main, but if the lamps require to be constructed beyond those limits the Company is to be allowed at the rate of twenty cents per lineal foot for constructing the additional main required for the distance in excess of the said three hundred feet.

12. The Company agrees to supply all additional lamp posts that may hereafter be required to be added to those now in use with the lanterns, fittings, burners, appliances and appurtenances requisite therefor, according to the pattern now at the City Hall, complete ready for erection, for the sum of seventeen dollars each. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT WHERE AN IRON LAMP POST, OF THE PATTERN AFORESAID IS SUBSTITUTED FOR A WOODEN ONE NOW IN USE, THE PRICE TO BE PAID THEREFOR SHALL BE TEN DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS.

13. The Company agrees to erect and set up all new lamp posts, which it shall be required to erect and set up at the price of three dollars each, and for the like sum to remove and erect and set up again upon the line of its main any lamp post which it shall be required to remove and erect and set up again, but the city shall not be liable for the cost of removing any lamp post or erecting or setting up any new one unless an order in writing shall be given therefor signed by the Chairman, and at least one other member of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

14. The Company shall not be required to light the lamps during eight nights in each lunar month, that is to say for six nights next before the full moon, one night at full moon, and one night after, but during all other nights the lamps shall be lighted at sunset, and not extinguished until one hour before sunrise, except for one week after the full moon, when they may be extinguished on the rising of the moon above the horizon. provided always that the Company shall be bound to light all the lamps on any night on which it would not otherwise be bound so to do, if so required by notice in writing, signed by the City Clerk, and left at the Company's office, at least two hours before dusk, and for any such additional supply of gas the Company shall be paid at the same rate, as charged for the yearly supply.

15. The Company also agrees to supply gas for consumption in the city offices and buildings, including the City Hall and Hospital, and all other city buildings and in the city schools if required so to do, at the rate of $2.50 per thousand feet.

16, The Company shall be supplied daily with reports certified by the Chief of Police, or in his absence from duty by the officer acting in his place of the lamps not lighted, and the situation of them; and the Company shall be bound by such reports, SUBJECT ONLY TO CORRECTION, IF PROOF TO THE CONTRARY, SATISFACTORY TO THE SAID COMMITTEE IS PRODUCED BY THE COMPANY, AND SUCH REPORTS shall be sufficiently supplied by mailing them in the London city post office, addressed to the Secretary of the Company.

17. The city shall pay to the Company the annual sum to be paid for the service provided for by this agreement in equal quarterly payments, commencing on the first day of October next, and shall pay all other sums due the Company quarterly, and all payments shall be made punctually at least one month after the same shall become due.

18. The Company shall, when and as often as it may have occasion to interfere with the surface of any public street or lane, restore the same to as good condition as when interfered with within a reasonable time, and to the satisfaction of the city engineer, and in default thereof, such street or lane may be repaired by the city at the expense of the Company, and the price thereof may, at the city's option, be deducted from any moneys payable to the Company under the terms of this agreement.

19. In case the Company shall not observe, fulfil and keep all and every the clauses, provisos, covenants and conditions herein contained, this agreement, and everything herein contained, shall be voidable, and may be determined by the city on giving to the Company three months' notice in writing of the city's intention to terminate the same.

20. If the City elects to require the Company to supply only the gas required for the street lamps the Company agrees to supply the same at the rate of two dollars and ten cents per thousand feet if at least two million feet per annum are consumed, or at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per thousand feet if less than that quantity is consumed.

This Indenture,

Made the Twenty-first day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

BETWEEN

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON, hereinafter called "THE CITY," of the first part, and

THE CITY GAS COMPANY OF LONDON, hereinafter called "THE COMPANY," of the second part,

WITNESSETH, that the said parties do hereby covenant and agree with each other in the way and manner following:

1—That the COMPANY shall supply the CITY with gas for all the street lamps within the City on the line of the gas main now in use for FIVE YEARS from the FIRST DAY OF JULY in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy five, and so on from year to year thereafter until either party shall determine to terminate this contract, and the same may be terminated at any time during the five years; the City by six months' notice in writing and the Company by six months' notice in writing, and the City shall pay the Company for such supply the sum of twenty-two dollars per annum for each and every lamp payable as hereinafter mentioned.

2—IT IS AGREED that the Company shall supply the said gas lamps with burners or jets consuming not less than four cubic feet per hour and shall supply all labor attendant on the lighting, extinguishing and cleaning of said lamps.

3—THE COMPANY shall keep all the lamps now or hereafter to be used in repair, except as hereinafter mentioned at the rate of fifty cents per annum; each lamp to be paid by the City to the Company. PROVIDED that the City shall, at their expense, repair all breakages or damages caused to the said lamps or posts by riots, disorderly persons, runaways, or malicious or wilful damage. PROVIDED further that the Company will not be bound to supply any gas to any lamp which is or may become out of order and which the City is bound to repair unless and until the same is fully repaired; and in all cases lamps requiring to be renewed are to be subject to the approval of the City Engineer. PROVIDED always that so long as a lamp is not supplied with gas and lighted from any cause whatever there shall be a deduction from the price agreed to be paid per annum to the Company for the supply and lighting each such lamp equal to the rate per hour to be paid for such service.

4—THE COMPANY shall erect gas lamps where required on the line of their mains or within two hundred and fifty feet each year from the mains or any existing gas lamps, or from any lamp hereinafter erected ; but the Company shall not be required to do so when there is frost in the ground.

5—THE CITY is to provide the lamp posts, lantern frame and appurtenances, and the City is to pay the Company two dollars and fifty cents for labor in erecting such lamps.

6—THE LAMPS to be removed from place to place when required by the City upon the line of the Company's main, the cost of such removal to be paid by the City to the Company ; but the City shall not be held responsible for the expense of removing or repairing any lamp at present existing or that may hereafter be erected, nor for the erection of any new lamp unless authority for the same be given in writing—signed by the Chairman of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee and another member of the Committee,

7—THE COMPANY shall not be required to light the lamps during eight nights in every lunar month, namely, for six nights next before the full moon and one night at full moon and one night after ; during all other nights the lamps shall be lit at sunset and not extinguished before dawn, except for one week next after full moon when they may be extinguished on the rising of the moon above the horizon. Provided that if the City require it the Company shall be bound to light the lamps on any or every night in which the Company would not otherwise be bound to light them, on receiving notice at least two hours before dusk, such notice to be in writing signed by the City Clerk and left at the office of the Company. The expense of such lighting shall be bourne by the City at the same proportionate rate as is allowed for the lighting aforesaid.

8—THERE SHALL be TWO HUNDRED LAMPS with such additional lamps as the City may from time to time direct or order.

9—THE CITY shall pay the Company for lighting each lamp to the number mentioned in clause eight of this agreement and for each additional lamp owned by the City under this agreement at the rate of twenty two dollars per annum, such sum to be paid quarterly, subject only to such reduction as in this indenture provided.

10—The City shall pay the Company for the repairs defined as aforesaid at the rate of fifty cents for each lamp under the indenture, the said sum to be paid quarterly from the date hereof.

11—THE CITY shall supply lamp posts, lanterns and usual appurtenances when occasion requires, and the Company shall keep the same in good order and repair, other than ordinary wear and tear and accident happening otherwise than by default of the Company or its employees excepted.

12—ALL NOTICES or requests which require to be given under these presents by either party to the other shall be in WRITING under the hand of the CLERK of the said City or the PRESIDENT of the said Company and left at the office of the said City Clerk or at the office of the said Company.

13—THE COMPANY agree that the gas furnished under this contract shall be equal in quality to the gas in use in the public streets of any City in the Province of Ontario.

14—THE COMPANY agree that the pressure at all times while the street lamps are lighted shall be equal to the pressure in use when the street lamps are lighted in any other City in the Province of Ontario and subject to the inspection of a competent person.

15—THE COMPANY shall keep the lamps, lanterns and glass at all times clean.

17—THE COMPANY shall, whenever, and as often as they may have occasion to interfere with the surface of any public street or lane, restore the same to as good condition as when interfered with, and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer, and in default thereof such street or lane may be repaired by the City at the expense of the Company.

In witness whereof the said corporation have to these presents caused their respective corporate seals to be affixed by the respective heads of the said corporations, the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of THOS. PARTRIDGE.

BENJ. CRONYN, MAYOR.

D. MACFIE, President City Gas Co.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 16th May, 1877.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Council Chamber Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following aldermen present: Gray, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Murray, Skinner, Regan, McNab, Minhinnick, Rapley, Christie, Williams, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, jr., Partridge, sr., Hiscox, Jones, Sutherland, Brown, Thompson.

The first business taken up was the consideration of the gas contract, the Council going into committee of the whole, the Mayor in the chair.

Ald. Egan verbally reported the total cost of repairs last year was $703.60.

First clause—

Ald. Egan moved its adoption, seconded by Ald. Rapley.

Ald. Williams moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Jones, that all the words after "1877" be struck out. Carried.

Second clause—

Ald. Partridge, jr., moved, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that the words, "after the expiration of the said five years," be struck out. Carried.

Clauses 3, 4 and 5 passed unopposed.

Sixth clause—

Moved in amendment by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald Fitzgerald, that all the words after "at least" be struck out, and the following inserted in their place: "Three cubic feet of gas per hour, under the pressure of at least one inch, as will ensure the full supply of said three feet per hour to each lamp while lighted, and the same to be regulated by a pressure guage and test or experimental metre, to be placed at the Central Police Station, at the expense of the city; and the same shall be at all times subject to the inspection of both contracting parties, and subject also to inspection of any competent party whom they may appoint." Carried.

Seventh clause—

Moved in amendment by Ald. Minhinnick, seconded by Ald. Gray, that "$24.-20" be struck out, and "$20" inserted instead. Carried.

Clause 8 passed.

Clause 9 was amended by substituting "and" for "or of" between the words "City Engineer" and "Chairman."

Clauses 10 and 11 passed.

Clause 12—

The City Gas Company propose to supply gas to this city for the public lamps at $2.50 per thousand—the gas to be supplied to be up to requirements of by-law. The mode of ascertaining the quantity of gas consumed to be by the use of metres. The said metres to be so located that the average quantity consumed can be arrived at satisfactorily to the Company and the city, subject to a reduction of 25 cents per thousand above 2,000,000—the Company to supply 250 feet of main for extensions, free of cost.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the clause be amended by inserting "or iron" after "wooden" in the last sentence Carried.

Clauses 13, 14 and 15 passed.

Clause 16—

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. McNab, that the words "subject only to correction, if proof to the contrary, satisfactory to the said committee, is produced by the company" be struck out.

Amendment lost. Clause passed.

The remaining clauses passed, when the Committee rose and reported, and the contract was adopted as amended

The Council adjourned at 11.45 p. m.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS.

Estimate of Work to be done by the Board of Works for the year 1877.

To His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen of the City of London, in Council assembled:

GENTLEMEN,—In accordance with a resolution of the Council passed at their last meeting, I have, with the assistance of the Commissioner, prepared an approximate estimate of the work proposed to be done by the Board of Works, which I herewith submit for your approval.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

WM. ROBINSON, City Engineer.

May 14, 1877.

To 17 cords of gravel on Ridout street, at Sulphur Springs.

To sidewalk on the east side of Thames street, between King and Horton streets.

To 23 cords of gravel on York street, near Westminster Bridge, viz, from bridge to the centre of the block, between Ridout and Talbot street.

To grading west end of Batnurst street at the river bank.

To repairs to Hunt's Bridge.

To repairs to sidewalk on Bathurst street, between Thames and Richmond streets.

To gravelling Ridout street, between Dundas street and bridge.

To sidewalks same distance.

To repairs to sidewalks on both sides of Talbot street, through the ward.

To repairs to Horton street sidewalks, through Ward, No. 1.

To gravelling on Richmond street, through ward.

To repairs to the west side of Richmond street, through the ward.

To repairs to sidewalks on York street through ward.

To repairs to king street sidewalk on both sides of street including stairs west end.

To repairs to sidewalk south side of Dundas street including paving and other necessary work, and repairs to crossings.

To gravelling on Talbot street from Dundas to King street, with broken stone.

To repairs to sidewalk on north side of Dundas street through the ward.

To repairs to Richmond street and crossings on Richmond street, south side of Oxford st. (½)

To 7½ cords of screenings on George st. sidewalk, east side, between Oxford and Piccadilly sts.

To Crossings across George street, south side of Oxford street.

To 13 cords of gravel on sidewalk on the south side of Mt. Pleasant street, between Talbot and Richmond streets, including curb and grading.

To similar work on Ann street, including curb and grading.

To eight cords of screenings on George street, west side, North of Mill street, and grading.

To screenings on both sides, between Mill and John street, on George street, including curb.

To curb for sidewalk, south side of Mt. Pleasant street, between Richmond and Talbot streets.

To repairs and grading to be done at the North east angle of Litchfield and Talbot streets.

To 4 cords of gravel on North sidewalk on Litchfield street, curb, grading and posts included.

To grading and gravelling (2 cords) on the north side of Albert street, east from Ridout street.

To 40 cords of gravel on Ridout street through ward, including man's time.

To 16 cords of gravel on Kent street, from Ridout to Talbot streets.

To 2½ cords of screened gravel on s. side of Oxford street, west end.

To trimming off outside of sidewalk on Kent street, between Talbot and Richmond streets.

To 7 cords of paving stones on west side of Richmond street, between Kent and Hiscox streets, paving work included.

To dressing with broken stones from Fullarton to Dundas, on Talbot street.

To dressing on Talbot street.

To dressing Maple street with 5 cords of gravel, between Talbot and Ridout street.

To dressing Talbot street with gravel.

To dressing Asphalte pavement on Talbot street.

To grading sidewalk on Carling street, west of Ridout street.

To gravelling on Carling street, between Talbot and Ridout streets, 6 cords of gravel and labor.

To gravelling sidewalk on west side of Waterloo street, between York and Bathurst streets, including crossing, 2½ cords of gravel.

To 10 cords of gravel on the south side of Bathurst street, opposite G. T. R. stables.

To gravelling the north side York street, between Waterloo and half way to Wellington street.

To grading and gravelling Simcoe street, between Clarence and Waterloo streets.

To grading and gravelling Gray street, from Waterloo to Clarence streets.

To cleaning water courses on the west side of Waterloo street.

To crossing on Waterloo and Hill streets.

To 10 cords of gravel on Waterloo street, from north side of Hill to South street (half the street)

To repairs to plank sidewalk on the west side of Waterloo and Gray streets, including Simcoe and Hill streets, between Waterloo and Wellington streets.

To grade and fix up South street and sidewalk between Wellington and Waterloo streets.

Fix up east side of Wellington street, between river and Hill street.

And bridge over ditch and crossings and grade roadway west of box drain on Wellington street.

To filling up hole, &c., over large culvert, opposite Christ Church, Wellington street.

To grading Wellington street, and repairing sidewalks from Dundas to Hill streets.

To gravel on Bathurst street, from Richmond to Wellington streets, where required.

To repairs to sidewalks on York street.

To repairs to sidewalks on the south side of Dundas street, between Waterloo and Richmond.

To gravel on Dundas street, south side of centre, between Richmond and Waterloo streets.

To gravel on Clarence street, between Gray and Simcoe streets.

To grade and gravel sidewalk on Gray street, between Richmond and Clarence streets, with seven cords of gravel, and labor, curb and grading.

To repairs to sidewalks on both sides of Clarence street, from Dundas to Hill street.

To grading west end of Simcoe street, east of Richmond street.

To repairs to sidewalks on Simcoe street, from Richmond to Wellington street.

To repairs to sidewalks on Horton street, from Richmond to Wellington street.

To repairs to sidewalks on Bathurst street, between Richmond and Wellington streets.

To gravel on the south end of Richmond steeet, south of G. W. R. (half street).

To repairing sidewalk on the east side of Richmond, south from Dundas street.

To gravelling York street, between Richmond and Wellington streets, including labor.

To repairs to sidewalks between Richmond and Wellington streets, on York street.

To repairs to sidewalks on both sides of King street in Ward No. 3, and raising crossing.

To grading sidewalk on the west side of Victoria Park including labor and screenings.

To 6 loads of gravel on corner of Church and Dufferin Avenue.

To repairs to sidewalk on north side of Dundas street, between Wellington and Richmond streets.

To culvert near the corner of Waterloo and Dufferin Avenue, and cleaning ditch from Picton to Waterloo street.

To grading Bond street south of Military Ground.

To grading sidewalk on west side of Waterloo street, from Dufferin Avenue to Piccadilly street, 152 rods.

To grading sidewalk on north side of Piccadilly, between Waterloo and Wellington streets.

To grading west side of Wellington from Oxford to Piccadilly street, included (4 cords) 300 feet of curb and grading included.

To crossing across Piccadilly street.

To repairs to sidewalk on the south of Oxford street, between Richmond and Wellington streets, and as far east of Wellington street as the plank extends.

To grading Wellington street, between Oxford and Piccadilly streets, and also sidewalk from Oxford to Piccadilly street, on east side of Wellington street.

To grading ditch by planing mills on east side of Richmond

To grading and filling up on south side of Great Market street, from Waterloo to Wellington streets, continued to Richmond streets

To grading sidewalk on the west side of Church street, from Great Market to Bond street.

To grading Richmond street, east side, north of Albert street, and insert culvert continued to land at the N. W. angle of Victoria Park on the Park.

To grading sidewalk from Bond to Dufferin Avenue, west side of Church street.

To repairs to sidewalks on the east side of Richmond street, north from Dundas street, grade ditch.

To repair sidewalks both sides of Queen's Avenue.

To culvert across Hamilton Road and ditch graded on the west side of Adelaide street, and a drain across Grey street.

To grading and gravelling on the south side of Grey street, between Adelaide and William streets.

To gravel sidewalk on the north side of Hill street, between Adelaide and William streets.

To grade knoll on Adelaide street and fill in low places.

To filling up at both sides of crossing across South street on Adelaide street.

To box drain on Adelaide street, across Nelson street.

To lowering culverts and opening up ditches on Trafalgar street, &c., &c.

To opening up ditch at the north-east angle of Nelson and Maitland streets, continued east to drainage.

To grading and gravelling from Colborne to Maitland street, on South street, and opening ditches.

To opening ditches on Hill street, between Colborne and Maitland streets.

To grading ditch on the north side of Grey street, west from Maitland street.

To opening ditches on Simcoe street, between Maitland and Colborne streets.

To grade both sides of Horton street, and clean up ditches.

To gravelling Horton street, east to Adelaide street.

To grade on Maitland street, between Hamilton Road and Bathurst street

To gravel sidewalk on the east side of Maitland street, between King and York streets.

To grading William street, between Dundas and King streets, on the west side, and gravel.

To fixing curb on the north side of King street, one block west from Adelaide street.

To gravel sidewalk south side of York street, between Adelaide and William streets.

To gravel sidewalk east side of William street, between York and King streets.

To grading south side of York street, between William and Colborne streets, on sidewalk.

To graded and gravelled sidewalk on the north side of Horton street, between Burwell street and Hamilton Road.

To graded and gravelled sidewalk on the east side of Colborne street, between Horton and Bathurst streets

To dressing Waterloo street south from Horton street, east half.

To crossing on the east side of Waterloo street across Hill street.

Dressing crossings at Waterloo and Hill streets.

To large culvert at the south end of Waterloo street.

To grading and gravelling on William street, between Hamilton Road and Bathurst street.

To grading and gravelling sidewalk on the north side of Waterloo street, from Dundas to Hill street.

To grading and gravelling on the north side of Hill street, between Waterloo and Colborne streets.

To grading and gravelling on the east side of Colborne street, between Horton and Grey streets.

To grading sidewalk on east side of William street, south of Oxford one block.

To grading centre of William street south of Oxford street, including gravel.

To grading sidewalk on Piccadilly street, between William and Adelaide

streets, south side grade, north, sidewalk.

To opening ditch and filling up some part between Piccadilly and Pall Mall streets, west side of William street, including culvert across street.

To gravel sidewalk on south side of Pall Mall street, between William and Colborne streets, grading and gravelling included.

To grading and gravelling north side of Great Market street between William and Colborne streets, including bridge at creek.

To graded sidewalk 1 ft. 6 in. deep, on the west side of William street between Bond and Great Market streets.

To graded sidewalk on Bond street east of William street.

To grading hill at sidewalk east side of William street from Bond to Queens Avenue.

To grading both sidewalks between William and Maitland streets on Dufferin Avenue.

To graded sidewalk and street on Peter street between Queens and Dufferin Avenues.

To graded sidewalk north of Bond street, west side of Maitland street.

To filling up at Cathrow's Bridge.

To grading and gravelling the centre of Great Market street between Colborne and Maitland streets.

To grading and gravelling the east sidewalk Great Market and Bond streets on Colborne street.

To grade Hope street.

To insert culvert at the south-east angle of Colborne and Bond streets, grade and gravel sidewalk at Mr. Green's, on Bond street.

To graded sidewalk on east side of Maitland street, between Duke and North streets.

To grading on north of Bond street, on the west side of William street, to the creek.

To grading and gravelling north sidewalk of Bond street, between Cartwright and Salter street.

To grading sidewalk on the west of Cartwright street, between Bond street and Dufferin avenue.

To gravel sidewalk on the south side of Queen's Avenue, between Maitland and William streets.

To dressing both sidewalks Queen's Avenue, east of William street.

To gravel sidewalk on north side of Dundas street, between William and Adelaide streets.

To grade Bond street, between William and Adelaide streets.

To graded and gravelled sidewalk on the east side of Colborne street, between Great Market and Oxford streets.

To grading Dufferin Avenue, between Maitland and William streets.

To grading and gravelling sidewalk on the north side of Oxford street, west of Talbot street.

To filling up along the north side of Oxford street, west of Talbot street.

To filling up at Oxford and Talbot-sts.

To filling up at St. James' and Talbot streets, where necessary on the west side of Talbot street.

To grading St. James' street, to fill up on west side of Talbot street, south of St. James' street.

To grading sidewalk on St. James' street, west of Richmond street.

To graded sidewalk on the west side of Wellington-st., north of St. James'-st.

To crossing across George street, south side of Sydenham; also, sidewalk south side of Sydenham, between Talbot and George streets.

To gravel sidewalk west side of George street, between Oxford and Sydenham-sts.

To graded sidewalk on the west side of George street, north of Oxford street.

To grading on North side of Oxford street, between Waterloo & Maitland-sts.

To grading sidewalk east side of Maitland street, north of Oxford street, two blocks.

To filling up between crossings on Richmond and Sydenham streets.

To gravel sidewalk on south side of St. James street, between George and Richmond streets.

To gravelling both sidewalks on Richmond street, between Oxford and St. James streets.

To eighty-four rods of ditching on William street, and two hundred and eight feet of culverts across two streets.

Approximate cost of work required to be done as ordered by Board of Works.....	$5,558 00
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City Council Proceedings.

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The minutes of previous meetings were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

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Received and adopted.

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Moved in amendment by Ald. Jones, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that the engineer's report be printed, and that no tenders be called for until the members of the Board are in possession of the printed report.

Amendment lost. The original motion passed.

Yeas—Sutherland Campbell, Thompson, Gray, Skinner, Regan, Ross, McNab, Minhinnick, Christie, Williams, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sr., Brown.

streets, south side grade, north, sidewalk.

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To grading and gravelling north side of Great Market street between William and Colborne streets, including bridge at creek.

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To graded sidewalk on Bond street east of William street.

To grading hill at sidewalk east side of William street from Bond to Queens Avenue.

To grading both sidewalks between William and Maitland streets on Dufferin Avenue.

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To graded sidewalk north of Bond street, west side of Maitland street.

To filling up at Cathrow's Bridge.

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To grade Hope street.

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To filling up at Oxford and Talbot-sts.

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To gravel sidewalk west side of George street, between Oxford and Sydenham-sts.

To graded sidewalk on the west side of George street, north of Oxford street.

To grading on North side of Oxford street, between Waterloo & Maitland-sts.

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Nays- Fitzgerald, Murray, Jones, Partridge, jr.

Ald. McNab submitted the following report from the Special Committee appointed to locate pounds:

"Your committee beg leave to recommend that the Exhibition Grounds be used for the purposes of a pound, and that a poundkeeper be appointed."

Ald. Skinner moved, seconded by Ald. Christie that the report be referred back. Carried.

Ald. McNab moved, seconded by Ald. Minhinnick, that the committee be empowered to draft a by-law providing for the impounding of cattle found running at large. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Sutherland,—

Resolved—That a vote of the municipal electors of the City of London be taken on Wednesday the eleventh day of June, A. D. 1877, on the following questions:

1st. Shall the property known as Salter's Grove be sold?

2nd. Shall the present Exhibition Grounds be sold after the first day of October next.

That the electors shall vote "yea" or "nay" upon each question.

That the vote shall be an open one, and not by ballot.

That polls shall be opened at the 1st sub-division in each ward at which the last municipal elections were held, for taking the vote by the electors upon the said questions, and the same shall be opened at the same hours as are provided by law, with regard to the keeping open of the polls for the election of Aldermen in cities.

The proceedings at the election and voting, to which this resolution relates, shall be as nearly as practicable the same as the ordinary proceedings at elections of Aldermen in cities, before the passing of the Act applying the ballot to municipal elections.

Notice of the holding of the said election, and the times and places of polling, the same shall be published in the daily editions of each of the city newspapers, until the 11th of June, 1877, fixed for holding the same.

The Returning Officers shall be as follows:

1st Division, 1st Ward, John Bonser.
1st Division, 2nd Ward, Wm. McBride.
1st Division, 3rd Ward, John McKeary.
Fourth Ward, Christopher S. Corrigan.
1st Division, 5th Ward, Alexander Purdom.
1st Division, 6th Ward, Alexander Gunn.
Seventh Ward, Richard Dinahan.

That the expenses attending the taking of the said vote shall be paid out of the city funds.

That all officers employed in and about the taking of the said vote shall be entitled to the like fees for the services performed by them as they would be entitled to for the like services at a municipal election for Aldermen in cities.

Passed in open Council, at a regular meeting of the City Council on Monday, the day of .

On motion the Council went into committee of the whole, Ald. Ross in the chair.

Ald. McNab moved in amendment to the questions in the original resolution, the following, to be voted upon by the citizens: "Shall the Salter's Grove be retained for Park and Exhibition purposes, and the Exhibition Grounds sold after the 1st of October next? and if a majority votes nay, Salter's Grove to be sold." Seconded by Ald. Minhinnick.

Moved in further amendment by the Mayor, seconded by Ald. Gray, that the question to be submitted to the ratepayers be—"Shall Salter's Grove be sold?"

Ald. Egan moved, seconded by Ald. Christie, that the question of submitting the proposition contained in the resolution be deferred until after the Provincial Fair this fall.

All the resolutions were voted down, and the Chairman reported the resolutions as being lost.

The Mayor resumed the chair.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Minhinnick, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Ald. Jones moved, seconded by Ald. Sutherland, that the Fire, Water and Gas Committee be empowered to advertise for tenders for supplying the city with water for streets, fire and manufacturing purposes with thirteen miles of mains, and report to this Council. Carried.

The Board adjourned at 11.30 p.m. for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, 4th June, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber, June 4th, at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Jones, Regan, Hiscox, Minhinnick, Brown, Christie, Boyd, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Skinner, Egan, Gray, Murray.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From G. Dayton, J. Bryan and J. McLeod, members of the city band, setting forth that while they are desirous of affording the public the benefit of free open air concerts, they have not the necessary funds to procure stands, lights, etc, and soliciting aid from the Council to defray these expenses. Referred to Park Committee.

From A. J. G. Henderson, asking that his assessment on real estate on Dundas street, be reduced. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Lachlin Macdonald, claiming two days wages for attendance at Court of Revision, his application to have his assessment increased being fyled by Messrs. Dixon and Bartram, without his knowledge or consent. Referred to Court of Revision.

From Mr. Glavin, asking the Council to remit his income tax for 1876. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Dr. Playter, of Toronto, asking the Council to subscribe for copies of the "Sanitary Journal" for the heads of the City Department. Referred to Board of Health.

From W. C. L. Gill and others, asking that a plank sidewalk be laid down on the west side of Cartwright street. Referred to Board of Works.

Accounts were received from Chas. Chapman, registry office work, $75.20; and Laing & McPherson, police clothing, $141 72, and referred to the respective committees.

Ald. Egan, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee:

Your committee recommend payment of the account of Stevens, Turner & Burns, amounting to $161, as also the account of Thos. Brown for $3.00.

Communication from Messrs. Parke & Purdom, re. Charles Stewart, claiming damages occasioned by experiment on ponds in Westminster to supply water to the city, your committee recommend no action.

Your committee recommend that the subject of water-works be considered immediately, and are of opinion that a cheap and efficient system of water-works, cost not to exceed $150,000 would be a great benefit as well as a saving to the city, further recommend that a vote of the ratepayers be taken on the following question: Shall the city have water-works? Shall they be constructed by Commissioners, or shall they be constructed by a company, so soon as a scheme shall be prepared by the committee and approved by the Council.

Report that they have awarded the tender of Alex. Harvey, for watering additional streets applied for, for the sum of $785.

The report was taken up clause by clause.

Clauses 1 and 2 passed without discussion.

Clause 3—

Moved by Ald. Jones, seconded by Ald. Regan, that the clause be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Brown, seconded by Ald. Minhinnick, that this Council being of opinion that the time has arrived when water-works should be introduced for general purposes and that

the matter be referred back to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee for the purpose of bringing in a detailed statement of the different schemes that may be submitted to them, giving the number of hydrants, location of the same, and number of miles of piping in the city, for approval of this Council. Carried.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, and would recommend the same to be paid: Messrs. Stevens, Turner & Burns account, $161.46; J. M. Keary, $40; T. Peel's account, police clothing, $85; Taylor's account for stationery, $25.80; Beltz's account, $45.60. Total, $357.80.

Your Committee have considered the petition of Thomas Joyce, asking the Council to sell him a portion of the broken front, which he occupies, and would recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted, subject to valuation by the Assessors. Received and adopted.

Ald. Skinner rose to ask for leave of absence for a month or two, he being about to make a visit to the old country. His colleagues had very kindly consented to act in his place on the different committees of which he was a member. With regard to the principal ones, he would ask that Ald. Regan be placed on the Board of Works, and Ald. Jones on the Hospital Committee.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Christie, that leave of absence be granted Ald. Skinner, and that the change in committees mentioned by him be acceded to. Carried.

On motion, the question of submitting the sale of Salter's Grove and Exhibition Grounds to the people was deferred indefinently.

The Board then adjourned for three weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Council Chamber, 23rd June, 1877.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Council Chamber. Present—His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Murray, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Jones, Skinner, Hiscox, Ross, McNab, Minhinnick, Boyd, Partridge, sr., Partridge jr., Egan, Regan.

Mayor Pritchard explained the object of the meeting –to devise means for relieving the necessities of the sufferers by the disastrous conflagration in St. John, N. B., asking the Council to take up the matter and vote such sum of money as it might see fit. His Worship read a telegram from Hamilton, intimating that the Council of that city had granted $1500 and the Board of Trade $1000. The Mayor also read the resolution passed at the meeting in the Board of Trade rooms, and the following message: "Mr. Dwight telegraphs me that the wires of the Montreal Telegraph Co. can be placed at the service of the Relief Committee to forward any dispatches to St. John, N. B., in reference to aid. Wm. Furness, Manager."

Ald. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Ald. Ross, that the deputation of citizens present be heard. Carried.

Hon. John Carling, on behalf of the deputation of citizens, submitted a requisition signed by some 340 of the heaviest ratepayers in the city, after a canvass of two or three hours, asking the Council to grant $5,000.

Messrs. Joseph Jeffrey, T. McCormick, and Col. Lewis, and Geo. Pritchard addressed the council, spoke of the almost unanimous feeling in favor of this grant by all citizens called upon, and expressed the hope that the council would see its way clear to vote the amount asked for.

On motion of Ald. Fitzgerald, seconded by Ald. Jones, the 45th rule of order—relating to the voting of money—was suspended.

After some discussion—

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Murray, that this council grant the sum of $2,000 to the corporation of St. John, N. B., to relieve the distress now existing in that city, and that His Worship the Mayor be authorised to communicate to the Mayor of St. John that his draft for that amount will be honored here.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Minhinnick, seconded by Ald. Ross, that the amount asked for by requisition be granted.

Ald. Egan moved in further amendment, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that $3000 be granted.

The vote was taken with the following results: For Egan's amendment, 3, for Minhinnick's amendment, 9; against, 7.

Yeas—Sutherland, Gray, Skinner, Ross, McNab, Minhinnick, Brown, Boyd, Egan.

Nays—Campbell, Murray, Fitzgerald, Jones, Regan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr.

The amendment was declared carried, and the yeas and nays recorded at Ald. Partridge's request.

On motion the clerk was requested to send a copy of the resolution to the Warden of Middlesex, suggesting also that he call a meeting to consider the propriety of a grant.

The Council then adjourned.